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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 13-May-06

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)	ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY			
	<u>Actual Slaughter</u>	<u>Live Weight</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Weighted Price</u>	<u># of Boxes</u>
05/08	2,243	5.83	45-65	(A)	(A)
05/09	2,171	5.79	44-67	(A)	(A)
05/10	2,281	5.70	41-65	(A)	(A)
05/11	2,271	5.61	43-68	(A)	(A)
05/12	2,225	5.64	41-65	(A)	(A)
Weekly	11,231	5.71	Cumulative:	(A)	(A)

(A)Not released to avoid disclosing individual operations

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 15-May-06

Weighted Averages for:	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York	49.38	48.39	71.38
Chicago	48.83	47.20	68.76
Detroit	50.91	49.09	69.83
Los Angeles	72.33	73.25	79.63
Composite Weighted Average	58.81	58.09	72.14

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 12-May-2006

	<u>Weekly Weighted Average Price</u>	<u>Total Volume/Pounds</u>
Breast - B/S	105.25	2,765,904
Tenderloins	100.50	904,820
Breast - With Ribs	68.38	359,600
Breast - Line Run	61.13	502,360
Legs	34.48	689,126
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	22.88	1,546,634
Drumsticks	30.60	506,819
Thighs	35.19	309,020
B/S Thighs	73.95	459,260
Wings (Whole)	71.10	1,044,700

(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg))

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 29-Apr-06

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>	<u>10-Weeks Prior</u>	<u>7-Weeks Prior</u>
Eggs Set	212,066	209,630	215,071	216,954	213,555
Chicks Placed	176,238	176,618	179,021	173,142	177,396

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 29-APR-06

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
Head (000)	154,172	167,199	163,999
Average Live Weight	5.39	5.47	5.30
To Date 2006 (000)	2,890,341	2,736,169	-----
To Date 2005 (000)	2,835,506	2,671,507	-----

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on **March 31,2006** were up slightly from the previous month, and up 15% from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were down 6% from the previous month, but up 29% from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were up 18% from last month, but down 10% from March 31,2005.

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